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A TABULATION OF SNOW AVALANCHE  
FATALITIES IN COLORADO

A revised tabulation which supersedes  
the original tabulation dated September 1965

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Winter of 1883-84	23 (Miners)
Winter of 1884-85	10 (Miners)
Winter of 1898-99	14 (Miners)
Winter of 1901-02	17 (Miners)
Winter of 1905-06	113+ (Miners)
Winter of 1911-12	5 (Miners)
Winter of 1932-33	1 (Miner)
Winter of 1935-36	6 (Miners)
Winter of 1947-48	4 (2 Skiers, 1 Highway user and 1 Highway worker)
Winter of 1950-51	4 (Highway users)
Winter of 1956-57	3 (2 Skiers, 1 Highway worker)
Winter of 1957-58	8 (4 Highway users, 4 Miners)
Winter of 1959-60	1 (Skier)
Winter of 1960-61	2 (Skiers)
Winter of 1961-62	8 (1 Skier, 7 Towns people)
Winter of 1962-63	3 (Highway users)
Winter of 1964-65	2 (Construction workers)
Winter of 1965-66	1 (Skier)
Winter of 1966-67	1 (Winter climber)
Winter of 1967-68	<u>2</u> (1 Skier, 1 Snowmobiler)

Total 228

Average 3 fatalities per year in a  
span of 84 years.

